

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016**

**Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

**Department/Agency:** Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet  
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**Senator:** Lambie, Jacqui

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**Question:**

- a) Was the distribution of the Secret volumes to the state premiers – the responsibility of the Prime Ministers and Cabinet department?
- b) Whose responsibility was it?

**Answer:**

- a) No
- b) The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet (PM&C) understands that the Royal Commission into Trade Union Governance and Corruption provided one copy of each of the Interim and Final Reports, including the confidential volumes, to the state governors. PM&C is not aware of what action the state governors took in relation to the Reports.